- SEC. 3. May sue, etc. They may sue and be sued by their corporate name.
- SEC. 4. The death of any of its members shall not terminate the corporation.
- SEC. 5. Articles of association—to be recorded. They shall adopt articles of association, not incompatible with the constitution and laws of this state, containing the name, object and location of their association, which, together with such directions as will enable any person readily to ascertain the place where their records are deposited, shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of the county in which such association is formed, and from the date of such record, they shall have power to act in their corporate capacity.
- SEC. 6. **Record.** They shall keep a record, containing among other things, the names of their officers, and the rules and regulations of their association, which shall be open to the inspection of any person having an interest to examine the same.
- SEC. 7. Contracts. They shall have power to make and enforce contracts in relation to the legitimate business of their association.
- SEC. 8. Lands—proviso. They shall have power to purchase and hold a tract of land not exceeding twenty thousand dollars in value, and to erect such buildings and to make such improvements thereon, as may be necessary and proper to promote the objects of their association, and to hold such personal property as may be strictly necessary to secure the purposes of the corporation: provided, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to debar them from the privilege of receiving donations or legacies of personal or real estate; but in all cases, such personal or real estate received as aforesaid, shall be sold, and the proceeds thereof loaned out at interest or appropriated according to the provisions of this [119] act, for the promotion of the objects of the association, as the members thereof may deem proper.
- SEC. 9. Service of process. Service of process shall be sufficient, if made upon either of the officers of the corporation.
- SEC. 10. No dividends—personal liability. No dividend or distribution of profits shall ever be made among the stockholders of the corporation, and any material deviation from the articles of association, shall render all those who shall participate therein, personally responsible for the consequences of such deviation.
- SEC. 11. Change of articles. Any such corporation may change their articles of association in the manner prescribed by their own rules; but such change must be recorded in the same manner as the original articles.
- SEC. 12. To take effect. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the weekly newspapers published in Iowa City.

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CHAPTER 87.

PRACTICE.

AN ACT amendatory to the practice in the district and supreme courts of this state.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Test of writs, etc. That all writs of every description, subpoenas and other process to be hereafter issued by the clerk of any supreme or district court of this state, shall bear test in the name of the clerk of said court, under the seal of said court. SEC. 2. Seals. That the seals heretofore used by the district courts of the territory of Iowa shall, in the absence of any other seal provided by law, be used as the seal of the several district and supreme courts of this state.

SEC. 3. To take effect. This act to take effect and be in force from and after

its publication in the weekly newspapers printed in Iowa City.

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[120] CHAPTER 88.

ENOCH FRAZEE.

AN ACT to make good in law the acts of Enoch Frazee, done and performed by him as a justice of the peace in and for the township of Dockridge, county of Jefferson, and territory of Iowa.

Preamble. Whereas, Enoch Frazee, a citizen of Lockridge township, in the county of Jefferson, and territory of Iowa, was some time in the year 1844, elected, sworn and qualified to act as a justice of the peace, according to the requirements of the law in such case made and provided, except that the bond and oath of office of the said Enoch Frazee were not, agreeably to law, filed in the office of the clerk of the district court of said county, but were filed in the office of township clerk of said Lockridge township: and whereas, the said Enoch Frazee did, as justice of the peace of the county aforesaid, solemnize and certify several marriages, and also take and certify the acknowledgment of several deeds: And whereas, certain doubts are entertained of the legal validity of such marriages and acknowledgments of such deeds; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Marriages and deeds made valid. That each and every marriage solemnized by, and each and every deed acknowledged before him, and certified by him as a justice of the peace, during the time he held such office, and performed the duties thereof, be, and the same are hereby declared to be as legal and valid in law as if the said bond and oath of office had been properly filed in the office of the clerk of the district court, according to the requirements of the law in such cases made and provided.

Approved, February 24th, 1847.

CHAPTER 89.

JACKSON COUNTY TAXES.

AN ACT authorising Robert Reed or his successors in office to collect the delinquent tax of T. J. Pearce, late collector of taxes, and John Corbin, deceased, treasurer and collector of Jackson county, A. D., 1846.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Reed to collect back taxes—manner. That Robert Reed, collector of taxes in and for the county of Jackson, and his successors in office, be, and they are hereby authorized to collect and receive all such taxes as remain due and unpaid on the delin-[121]-quent list of Thomas J. Pearce, and also all taxes which remain unpaid on the list of John Corbin, deceased, late col-